

Land Trust to Dedicate Access Trail

The Wildlands Trust of Southeastern Massachusetts will be dedicating its innovative new "universal access" Harry and Mary Todd Trail on its Cow Tent Hill Preserve in Duxbury, Sunday, June 1 at noon.

According to Trust Executive Director, Mark Primack, "We believe that folks with a range of mobility issues have as much right to the outdoors as you and I. This is the first trail we have ever created specifically to accommodate people in wheelchairs, with walkers, or with baby carriages. The project is also special because, instead of using asphalt for pavement, we use a unique natural product called 'Stablizer'".

The 32-acre Cow Tent Hill Preserve was a bequest to the Trust from the late Bernice Bumpus in 1999. The heavily wooded preserve runs down to the marshes of Duxbury Bay and includes land on both sides of Mill Brook or Duck Hill River.

The Harry and Mary Todd Trail and the new parking lot were designed to provide an



exciting new outdoor amenity for those with mobility issues. The parking lot has room for a lift van and a paved pad for unloading. The trail gently winds through high pine woodlands and down to the banks of the small river. A sheltered bench at trail's end

gives a long view out to the marshes and bay.

The public is invited to the dedication, which will gather in the parking lot to the left of Farfars, in Millbrook Village. We will be walking to the preserve. If you need a ride, please call the Trust office.

The Wildlands Trust is a regional land trust founded in Plymouth in 1973. Today the Trust owns or holds restrictions on over 3,700 acres, on 121 properties, in twenty-two cities and towns, from Rehobeth and Taunton to Marshfield and Bourne. For more information about membership or protecting your land, call 781-934-9018.